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MINISTRY OF LAW
(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, 5th February, 1966/*Magha* 16, 1887 (*Saka*)

THE DELHI LAND REFORMS (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1966

No. 2 OF 1966

Promulgated by the President in the Seventeenth Year of the Republic of India

An Ordinance further to amend the Delhi Land Reforms Act, 1954.

WHEREAS Parliament is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance:—

1 (*1*) This Ordinance may be called the Delhi Land Reforms (Amendment) Ordinance, 1966. Short title and commencement.

(*2*) It shall come into force at once.

Delhi Act 8 of 1954 to be temporarily amended.

2. During the period of operation of this Ordinance, the Delhi Land Reforms Act, 1954 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), shall have effect as if it had been amended and had always been amended as specified in sections 3 and 4.

Amendment of section 3.

3. In section 3 of the principal Act, for clause (*6*) and clause (*19A*), the following clauses shall respectively be substituted, namely:—

'(*6*) "Deputy Commissioner" includes—

(*i*) a Collector;

(*ii*) an Additional Collector;

(*iii*) a Revenue Assistant empowered by the Chief Commissioner by notification in the Official Gazette to discharge all or any of the functions of a Deputy Commissioner under this Act; and

(*iv*) an Assistant Collector of the first grade or class empowered as aforesaid;

(*19A*) "Revenue Assistant" includes any Assistant Collector of the first grade or class empowered by the Chief Commissioner to perform all or any of the functions of a Revenue Assistant under this Act;'.

Amendment of section 13.

4. In section 13 of the principal Act, in sub-section (*1*), for clause (*f*), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

"(*f*) a tenant of or over twelve years in Shahdara Circle and a non-occupancy tenant in any part of the Union territory of Delhi other than a non-occupancy tenant referred to in clause (*d*);".

Validation of action taken under sections 11 and 13.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the principal Act or in any other law for the time being in force or in any judgment, decree or order of any court,—

(*a*) all declarations (whether general or individual) conferring or purporting to confer Bhumidhari rights in favour of any person or class of persons under any of the clauses (*a*) to (*c*) of sub-section (*1*) of section 11, or in favour of any tenant

or class of tenants under any of the clauses (*a*) to (*h*) of sub-section (*1*) of section 13, of the principal Act, made before the commencement of this Ordinance by the Deputy Commissioner or a Revenue Assistant (whether or not such Revenue Assistant was empowered by the Chief Commissioner to discharge all or any of the functions of a Deputy Commissioner) shall be deemed to be, and to have always been made by such Deputy Commissioner or, as the case may be, Revenue Assistant in accordance with law and the persons or class of persons or the tenants or class of tenants in whose favour any such declaration has been made shall be deemed to have been validly and lawfully declared as Bhumidhars :

Provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the right of any person to call in question any such declaration on the ground only that the entries in the revenue records on the basis of which such declaration has been made are incorrect;

(*b*) all suits, appeals and other proceedings relating to any such declaration pending before any court or other authority immediately before the commencement of this Ordinance, other than those based on the ground referred to in the proviso to clause (*a*), shall, on such commencement, abate.

S. RADHAKRISHNAN,
President.

S. P. SEN-VARMA,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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